

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No. 5495.0001-10

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Lutz G. GUERTLER et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1648  
Application No.: 10/829,442 )  
Filed: April 22, 2004 ) Examiner: J. Parkin  
For: RETROVIRUS FROM THE HIV ) Confirmation No.: 6321  
GROUP AND ITS USE )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants reply to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2007 ("Office Action"), the period for response having been extended to October 18, 2007, by a request for extension of 2 months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please consider the following remarks.